



MEAP

Coordinator Update

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WINTER 2004: REPORTS

All Winter 2004 reports and CA-60 labels have been shipped. Please contact the MEAP office, via email to meap@michigan.gov if you have not received your reports by June 7, 2004. Including your district and building name and code numbers and the contact person name and phone number with each communication, will enable a speedier response.

SPRING 2003: REPORTS

Hard copy Spring 2003 reports will begin printing and shipping . Parent reports and student record labels will be included. You may receive up to three separate shipments: labels, parent reports, all other reports. Your understanding and patience during this prolonged endeavor is most appreciated.

MI-ACCESS DEMOGRAPHIC CLEAN UP

Peggy Dutcher and the Special Education Department would like to extend a thank you to MEAP Coordinators for working with District MI-Access Coordinators for the MI-Access Demographic Update process.

OEAA Fall 2004 Conference Schedule

Mark your calendars for the Fall 2004 OEAA Conference (formally known as the MEAP Fall Conference). We have added an additional date and several new locations. Thank you to those who completed the on-line survey. The OEAA will be using your ideas and input in the conference development. Look for registration information in the late summer.

Tuesday, Sept 21	Marquette – Northern Michigan University
Wednesday, Sept 22	Grayling – Holiday Inn
Monday, Oct 4	Lansing – Lansing Center
Wednesday, Oct 13	Grand Rapids – Crowne Plaza (28 th Street)
Monday, Oct 18	Detroit – Best Western Sterling Inn (Sterling Heights)

NAEP Assessment Reminder

Just as a reminder! The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) will be conducting math and reading state assessments at grades 4 and 8 during the 2004-05 school year. In addition, Michigan will be participating in the NAEP state science assessments at grades 4 and 8. Approximately 300 schools involving approximately 2,800 students will be sampled for the assessments. Sampled schools will be notified in early fall of their participation. NCLB requires state and school participation in state NAEP assessments as a condition of receiving Title I funds. NAEP state assessments will be conducted January through March 2005.

IEP Teams in sampled school districts are reminded to discuss how their student will participate in NAEP. NAEP has its own accommodation guidelines that need to be considered.

Information regarding the NAEP assessments, current Michigan and national NAEP data and available assessment accommodations can be found at the NAEP website <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard> or contact Michigan's NAEP state coordinator, Kimberly Young at 517-241-2360 or youngk1@michigan.gov.

MAC User Alert

If you are using a MAC, you may have encountered some difficulties on the secure MEAP website using Internet Explorer. We have heard from some schools that these problems are eliminated by using the Safari web browser and just wanted to pass this tidbit along.

Thank you

Everyone in the office of Educational Assessment and Accountability, MEAP, Special Ed assessment, and School accountability would like to thank each of the assessment leaders in the schools for the excellent work this school year. We have come to know many of you well and can even recognize you by voice because of your conscientious work to administer state assessments and accountability programs consistent with the highest standards. We value this growing partnership with schools and invite others to join in this network. We certainly value your advice, suggestions and honesty as it helps us serve you better as you work to improve teaching and learning for your students. Thanks again as you near the end of your school year.

Please notify us at the usual meap@michigan.gov email address if you are turning over your MEAP coordinator responsibilities to a new person so that we can get them in the loop early. Have a great summer

MEAP CONTACT INFORMATION

As a reminder, the new email address for the MEAP help desk is meap@michigan.gov

In addition, you may want to note the following phone numbers and web addresses:

MEAP office local phone number (517) 373-8393

MEAP office toll-free phone number (877) 560-8378

MEAP office FAX: (517) 335-1186

MEAP secure database: www.michigan.gov/meap

Public MEAP and MERIT web site: www.meritaward.state.mi.us

MEAP Postal Address: P.O. Box 30008
Lansing, Michigan 48909

MEAP Overnight Deliver Address: 608 W. Allegan
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